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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA : Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM : Sayre Stevens
Deputy Director for Intelligence

SUBJECT : Military Economic Advisory Panel (MEAP)

1. Action Requested: The Military Economic Advisory Panel (MEAP) has asked to meet the DCI.

2. Background: The Military Economic Advisory Panel (MEAP) is scheduled to convene here on 19-21 May. The MEAP was formed by the DDI in 1972 and recently expanded and established at the DCI level. It is responsible for providing advice on the US Intelligence Community's military economic analysis of communist countries. The Panel's charter, a list of its members, and its most recent report are atttached.

3. Recommendation: I recommend that you set aside 30 minutes or so to meet the members during this session if your time permits. Most convenient for the Panel would be a Friday evening (20 May) or Saturday morning (21 May) meeting at CIA Headquarters. Any time during the three day period would be satisfactory, however, if this does not fit your schedule.

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Sayre Stevens

Attachments:
As stated

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APPROVED: /s/ Stansfield Turner
Director of Central Intelligence

DISAPPROVED: _____
Director of Central Intelligence

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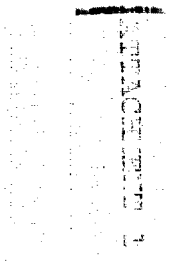

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Director of Central Intelligence

Military-Economic Advisory Panel

Charter

The Director of Central Intelligence has established the Military-Economic Advisory Panel (MEAP) to examine the US Intelligence Community's military-Economic analysis of Communist countries. The MEAP will continue and exend the work of the panel created by the Deputy Director for Intelligence in 1972. To accomplish its work, the MEAP will be given access to the full range of information and methodologies in use and will have full access to all intelligence community resources involved in this work.

The Panel will meet twice a year, or more frequently when current developments make it necessary. It will prepare a written report for the Director of Central Intelligence at least annually.

The MEAP will give special attention to the following areas:

--Thoroughly review and critique the data, concepts, and methodologies used in the estimates as well as the appropriateness, form, and scope of reporting the research findings.

--Examine alternatives and recommend actions which will improve the existing military economic analyses, including recommendations for new research areas to enhance the existing burden and comparative sizing analyses.

--Review alternative estimative methodologies which could provide limits or benchmarks with which existing burden and comparative sizing could be compared, and recommend the most promising alternatives for further study.

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MILITARY-ECONOMIC ADVISORY PANEL

Dr. Herbert S. Levine, Chairman
University of Pennsylvania

Dr. Levine is Professor of Economics with the University of Pennsylvania. He has been a leading expert in the field of Soviet economics for over 20 years.

Dr. K. Wayne Smith, Chairman Designate
Washington Group, Inc.

Dr. Smith is a Vice President of Washington Group, Inc. His past experience in the Department of Defense and the NSC Staff enables him to provide input to the Panel on consumer needs in the field of estimates on Soviet military-economic programs.

Lt. Col. Lee D. Badgett, USAF
USAF Academy

Lt. Col. Badgett is a member of the Economic faculty at the Air Force Academy. He holds a PhD degree in economics and has worked closely with OSR on military-economics for the past few years as military assistant to Dr. Andrew Marshall, OSD/NA.

Dr. Abraham S. Becker
The Rand Corporation

Dr. Becker is with the Economic Department at the Rand Corporation. He is recognized as a leading specialist in Soviet national income.

Dr. Kenneth W. Dam
University of Chicago

Dr. Dam is with the Law School at the University of Chicago. From 1971 to 1973 he served as Assistant Director (for national security and international affairs), Office of Management and Budget.

Dr. Holland Hunter
Haverford College

Dr. Hunter is Professor of Economics at Haverford College. He has been a specialist in the Soviet economy for over 25 years and is a recognized expert in the field.

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25X1 [redacted] retired from the Agency in 1974. The last position he held was Deputy Director of Strategic
25X1 Research. [redacted] value to the Panel stems from his experience in military and military-economic analysis, his familiarity with the community, and his knowledge of the consumers of the intelligence product.

Dr. Stanley I. Weiss
Lockheed Missile & Space Company, Inc.

Dr. Weiss is Vice President and Assistant General Manager, Engineering and Development, Space Systems Division at Lockheed. He is responsible for development and engineering, including space programs and technical products for DoD, NASA, and aerospace prime contractors.

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